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SUBJ VISIT OF LEONARD MARKS, CHAIRMAN US ADVISORY
COMMISSIONINTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

1. LEONARD MARKS, CHAIRMAN OF US ADVISORY COMMISSION INTER-
NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS, AND WILLIAM WELD,
STAFF DIRECTOR OF COMMISSION, PLAN TO VISIT BUDAPEST ACCORD-
ING TO FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

ARR SEPTEMBER 5 AT 0900 VIA RO 225
DPT SEPTEMBER 7

2. MRS. MARKS WILL ACCOMPANY AT OWN EXPENSE. ALSO POSSI-
BLE THAT WILLIAM FRENCH SMITH, COMMISSION MEMBER, AND WIFE
WILL BE IN PARTY. WILL INFORM SOONEST.

3. DURING COMING YEAR COMMISSION WILL REVIEW PHILOSOPHY AND
OPERATIONS OF US EXCHANGE PROGRAMS WITH USSR AND EASTERN
EUROPE. PURPOSE OF MARKS TRIP, THERFORE, IS TO PROVIDE HIM
WITH FIRST-HAND IMPRESSIONS OF EXCHANGE ACTIVITIES, PROBLEMS
AND POTENTIALS.
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4. MARKS REQUESTS EMBASSY ARRANGE PROGRAM TO HELP HIM FULFILL THIS PURPOSE WHICH WOULD INCLUDE MEETINGS WITH AS MANY OF THE FOLLOWING AS TIME AND LOCAL CONDITIONS PERMIT:
A. MINISTERS OF CULTURE AND EDUCATION, AND RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS OF OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, AND MEMBERS OF THEIR STAFFS INVOLVED WITH US EXCHANGES;

B. LEADERS OF UNIVERSITIES, CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS, PERFORMING ARTS GROUPS WHO COULD BE EXPECTED TO HAVE VIEWS ON INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS;

C. US OR LOCAL GRANTEES WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN EXCHANGE PROGRAMS;

D. RESIDENT US OR LOCAL BUSINESSMEN, MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES, EDUCATORS OR OTHERS WHO ARE INFORMED OBSERVERS OF US RELATIONS WITH HOST COUNTRY.

5. ON EXTRA-CURRICULAR SIDE, MARKS' PARTY WOULD LIKE AT LEAST BRIEF EXPOSURE TO REPRESENTATIVE CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS OF CITY. MRS. MARKS (AND MRS. SMITH) DO NOT WISH ADDRESSEE ORGANIZE SOCIAL FUNCTIONS FOR THEM, BUT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SEEING EDUCATIONAL OR SOCIAL PROJECTS IF EXPOSURE CAN BE CONVENIENTLY ARRANGED.

6. MARKS IS WASHINGTON ATTORNEY, FORMER DIRECTOR USIA, AND CHAIRMAN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITES, 1968-69 (WITH RANK OF AMBASSADOR). SMITH IS LOS ANGELES ATTORNEY, CHAIRMAN BOARD OF REGENTS UNIV. OF CALIFORNIA. WELD IS RETURED FSIO. COMPLETE BIO DATA FOLLOWS.

7. ACTION REQUESTED:

A. PLS INFORM SOONEST WHETHER PROPOSED SCHEDULE ACCEPTABLE;
B. IF SO, RESERVE TWO DOUBLE ROOMS AND ONE SINGLE ROOM AT APPROPRIATE HOTELS; INFORM DEPT OF NAME AND ADDRESS;
C. SEND PROGRAM FOR YOUR POST SOONEST. KISSINGER

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